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SUBJ: IRISH ELECTION, LATEST

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1. THE IRISH ELECTION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 16 HAS GONE INTO THE INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN STAGE WITH THE POCKETBOOK STILL THE MAIN ISSUE. WE ESTIMATE THAT THE OPPOSITION FIANNA FAIL HAS TAKEN THE INITIATIVE IN THE CAMPAIGN SO FAR AND THE LOCAL PUNDITS ARE PREDICTING A VERY CLOSE OUTCOME. FIANNA FAIL HAS SCORED ON ITS CLEVER MANIFESTO WHICH PROMISES LOWER TAXES, CUTTING UNEMPLOYMENT, AND LOWERING INFLATION. THE GOVERNMENT SO FAR STANDS ON ITS RECORD AND ATTEMPTS TO SHOW THAT THE OPPOSITION PROGRAM IS IMPOSSIBLY OPPORTUNISTIC. MUDSLINGING IN THE USUAL IRISH FASHION IS INCREASING.

2. IT APPEARS THAT TWO OR THREE INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES HAVE A GOOD CHANCE OF ELECTION, AND AT LEAST ONE SINN FEIN WORKERS PARTY CANDIDATE HAS A GOOD CHANCE. THUS IF THE TWO SIDES STALEMATE WE MIGHT HAVE AN UNCERTAIN MINORITY GOVERNMENT DEPENDENT UPON INDEPENDENTS.

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3. NORTHERN IRELAND AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN GENERAL ARE STILL MUTED, THOUGH THE COALITION GOVERNMENT HAS ATTEMPTED, THROUGH P. AND T. MINISTER CONOR CRUISE O'BRIEN, TO ASSERT THAT FIANNA FAIL IS "SOFT" ON LAW AND ORDER AND ON THE WHOLE NORTHERN SITUATION. HOWEVER, THE ELECTORATE SEEMS TO BE LITTLE INTERESTED IN THE NORTH AND BOTH SIDES ARE WARY OF THE ISSUE. RENDAH

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